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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION HEARINGS ON SINGLE-FIRM CONDUCT TO CONTINUE IN CHICAGO

Session on February 13 to Focus on Business Testimony

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice's Antitrust Division and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) today announced that the latest in a series of joint public hearings designed to examine the implications of single-firm conduct under the antitrust laws will take place on Feb. 13, 2007, in Chicago. The hearings examine whether and when specific types of single-firm conduct may violate Section 2 of the Sherman Act (which prohibits monopolization and attempted monopolization) by harming competition and consumer welfare and when they are procompetitive and lawful. The Feb. 13 session will be hosted by the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

The panels on Feb. 13 will provide an opportunity for business executives to express their views on Section 2 issues, including areas where the companies perceive that single-firm anticompetitive conduct has harmed consumers and areas where legitimate pro-competitive behavior may have been chilled. These panels also will provide an opportunity for company executives to identify areas where they believe additional agency antitrust guidance would be useful.

The session will be held in Room 208 of the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business' Gleacher Center, 450 Cityfront Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Further information is provided below:

Business Testimony (9:30 A.M.–12:00 P.M. CST):

David A. Balto, attorney, on behalf of the Generic Pharmaceutical Association.

Patrick Sheller is the chief compliance officer of Eastman Kodak Company.

Ronald Stern is the vice president and senior counsel for antitrust of General Electric Company.

Business Testimony (1:30 P.M.–4:00 P.M. CST):

Stan Anderson is the senior counsel to the president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Bruce Sewell is the senior vice president and general counsel of Intel Corporation.

Bruce Wark is the associate general counsel of AMR Corporation, the parent company of American Airlines Inc.

The public and press are invited to attend all of the hearings. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested parties may submit written comments to the Antitrust Division and the FTC.

Further information about these hearings will be posted on the Antitrust Division's Web site at http://www.usdoj.gov/atr/public/hearings/single_firm/sfchearing.htm and on the FTC's Web site at <http://www.ftc.gov/os/sectiontwohearings/index.htm>. Individuals seeking more information on the hearings should contact Gail Kursh, Deputy Chief, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division, at singlefirmconduct@usdoj.gov, or Patricia Schultheiss, FTC, at section2hearings2@ftc.gov.

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